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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Request for Continued Examination is in response to the final Office Action dated May 13, 2005 (Paper No. 20050429), for which a response was due on August 13, 2005. Filed herewith are a Petition and fee for a three month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to November 13, 2005 (which fell on a Sunday). Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.